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DE SPENCER'S CRIME.

A STORY BY A PRESERVAN,

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stormy, and even the clock was on the ganization, it might have produced so-been many years my wife, and the faith- in Finland only the other day. stroke of cleven. I was about to turn off rions results. I made my examination of ful Mrs. Hurd slept under the violets, did Peter who had doubtless begun already

I took my night lamp and went to the door. A strong gust of damp, sleety telling fearfully on a constitution never wind nearly extinguished the light, but, robust. shading it with my hand, I dimly dis cerned the form of a woman.

First-class hotel, with all the modern improve- but she declined with a gesture of imsharp, incisive tone, and be quick about promptly.

I put on my overcoat without demur,

face close to mine said: I think so, madam. SWEAF It.

wish to confide to me as a medical man.

Very well then, I swear it. That is right.

Whither are you taking me and for tered against him. what purpose!

To Clifton House to see the Mistress. Clifton House was the old mansion recently taken by Dr. Spencer, a stranger perturbed and anxious in my mind. I to every one in Middlebury. Spencer was a tail, dark, rather distinguished day I was in a high fever of excitement. looking man who had hung out his sign mine, besides yet he had no practice. He was unsocial in the extreme, avoid-

he did speak, it was in such a curt, half sad over the death of her sister. Women savage way that one was not likely to of her stamp always do mourn to perfecattempt prolonging the conversation. The doctor had a wife, it was said, but thing, as women of feeling are likely to

no one ever saw her. She was an invalid, and Miss Melrose, a friend of the Dr. Spencer at once went to his wife's This house will be open for the reception of and sat at the head of the table. She was prescribed a cordial at once, saying that he yet beautiful, and won the admiration of would go and fetch it. 341y all who visited Clifton House, by her sation.

As we walk along said my companion, let me explain to you just what it is posedly: necessary you should know. My mistress is very ill.

or Miss Melrose? She laughed bitterly.

my mistress. And is she ill? How long since?

she muttered in a flerce tone but I must tray and gave it to his wife. Herndon became James Spencer's wife. still on the tray. Do you see anything strange in terupted:

ment; and married my mistress instead, stairs.

see anything singular in that? DHESS TRIMMINGS AND Perhaps. Go on. When my mistress married Spencer she the position of the glasses, and it would have been easy for Spencer back in her chair with her eyes closed. queen. And all this time my mistress ed him in her sad, sweet way. VERNORT has been slowly but surely sinking. And Now for my cordial, said he with af- ing to pass by at that moment, they ap- rheumatism. Some have great faith in whom planted is not known.

> as she spoke the word-poison! cumstances which have led me to the he- would be on his own head. lief, we are almost at the door. It is He went to his bed soon afterward, cers; and Balakireff began; the same time, or I should have called an- they found him dead!

wood save my dear mistress. Mrs. Spencer received me in her bed-Mrs. Spencer received me in her bed-chamber. It was on the second floor; and in one of his unsettled fits of mind. I did was formished with exquisite elegance. In one of his unsettled fits of mind. I did up and give the alarm. I drew my sword lng application the skin needs. Everything in the room bespoke the taste Hurd told her story I had my own theory and delicacy of the occupant. The warm in regard to his death. heliotrope, and glancing around I saw the

She was a woman who once seen could counsel.

seen in perfect health.

Finisher and Dealer in all kinds of American Markin, Monuments, Table Tops, Work, he observed from Generalized Who at Roger Williams?

Finisher and Dealer in all kinds of American Community with pretended roughness, How dare you make in mained in the room, and added many never herself again. She was a harmless with pretended roughness, How dare you mained in the room, and added many mained in the room mained in the room mained in the room mained in the room manual ma

with a sort of hopeless sadness, which with them. distressed me greatly. Not a breath of She is living still, and she still gathers lakireff coolly; I'm not on Russian ground

I was sitting in my office, half dozing scepicion and I felt that at present she flowers and lays them on that grave, sing- now. over an interminable article on defective knew nothing of what Mrs. Hurd had ing to herself meanwhile a sort of low insuch serious apprelensions. I was glad cantation, which no one pretends to un. No; this cart load of earth that I am it was so, for, with her finely strung or- derstand. Not until Mrs. Spencer had sitting on is Sweedish soil. I dug it up Open for Transfers Visitors of Summer Boszders and retire, for being a backelor, I was about to turn off the patient as closely as I could and drew and well from the patient as closely as I could and drew and well from the patient as closely as I could and drew and well from the patient as closely as I could and drew and well from the patient as closely as I could and drew and the patient as closel

> She said, answering my questions, that she had no physician except her husband. Come in, I said, holding open the door; He had thought himself better qualified to treat it. He never left any medicine with her to take; he always brought it You must come out, she said, in a fresh from his office, and administered it

The only dependence seemed to be in Mrs. Hurd. To her I unbosomed myself locked the surgery door, and stepped into freely. I told her without reserve that I the storm. As I did so the woman laid a believed Dr. Spencer was killing his wife firm hand on my arm, and putting her by slow poison, and besought her to be constantly on the watch to save the vic-Dr. Lockwood, can you keep a secret! tim, and to discover some proof by which we could fasten the guilt upon him.

A charge, of course, I could not make Is this secret of yours of a professional against Dr. Spencer, without the amplest character? That is, is it anything you proof. If I hinted a suspicion, every one tached to the name of his buffoon. Many together. We must treat it tenderly and ver seed, 4,013 bushels grass seed; 527,sional prejudice; and if I could not submake me pay dearly for such a slander ut-

> She smiled grimly and promised obedience. I gave her a powerful antidote for the poison I suspected, and went home did not sleep that night, and all the next

Dr. Spencer returned home the mornin the village only a few doors above ing after my visit to Clifton House. He looked wretchedly, the nurse said-appeared depressed and gloomy. Miss Meling his neighbors persistently, and when rose came with him, and was decorously flon. They never overdo nor underdo the

family, presided over the establishment chamber. He thought she looked ill, and frightened out of his wits at the probable the place with a warm from. The heat Windsor county has the largest number of

grace of manner and fascinating conver- her, said Mrs. Hurd, musingly. You look and trappings of which were exactly sim- tell him, Then don't do so if it hurts you. like a ghost.

I beg your pardon-is it Mrs. Spencer went out. Presently he returned with doubtless foreseen this contingency, in non-professional and untechnical: heart sooner than own her as a mistress. for she told me, she felt that the decisive stern order, Capt. Balakireff, draw your My mistress is a lady-noble, royal, and moment had come. There was something sword and cut that sloven down! pose in the man's soul.

Before that she was a healthy, blooming Mrs. Spencer accepted it and was put- and Balakireff was allowed to escape. girl; immediately after this she began to ting it to her lips. When Mrs. Hurd in-

Spencer was deeply in debt, and very she kept her face passive. If he had any going to ask! hard pressed by his creditors. Do you suspicions, her manner quieted them, and Quick as though, Balakireff dropped on good blood out of poor material, and if had passed into oblivion. The shapes of putting down the glasses, he left the his knees and exclaimed. Peter Alexeie- you make poor blood, it is like the poor the coffins could only be traced by a black room. Then Mrs. Hurd secretly changed vitch, I beseech you to put that scamp of man's watch, or rather the man's poor line of carbonaceous matter, the thickness was only seventeen, and she had been When he came back—and he was gone caught in his own trap, had no choice but must put first-rate wheat into the hopper. their ends distinctly defined. The rusted

201y15x She was a gentle and affectionate child, he left her, and Mrs Spencer was lying er. to have won her love. But he did not Again he lifted the glass-this time it paigns, a thick fog greatly obstructed the ple really expect to make good out of from his grave. In the grave of his wife care for that. It paid his debts and was the one intended for himself-and movemements of the army. At length a poor material is flesh and blood, and their there was not a trace of anything save a bought him fast horses; It set his table placed it to the lips of his wife. She pale watery gleam began to show itself expectations are, as they should be, sadly single lock of braided hair that had surwith nice costly dishes; and put it in his drank the contents, swallowed a little of through the mist, and two of the Russian disappointed.

look you, Dr. Lockwood, I believe that feeted gayety. I indulge myself in some- pealed to him to decide. Is that youder red flannels. It may be—there may be This tree had sent two of its main roots she in not dying of disease, but of \_\_\_\_\_ thing a little stronger; and as he spoke he light the sun, brother? here she lowered her voice to a whisper tossed off the mixture.

ends to see him do it, said Mrs. Hurd,re- At the end of the same campaign, sever- oppose them. My business is to keep cise spot occupied by the skull of Roger Of poison given her by her husband, lating the circumstances to me; but as al of the officers were relating their exwho on her death will have sole control heaven is my witness, I felt not a single ploits, when Balakireff stepped in among can help it. of her property and be free to marry Miss twinge of conscience. Largued like this, them. I ve got a story to tell too, cried There are outward applications, lini-Melrose. There is no time to explain to if it was as simple as he said, it would do he boastfully; a better one than any of ments, embrocations; these belong to the you in detail the thousand and one cir- no harm. If it was poison, his blood yours.

rose's sister, and will not be back till to- of the deceased a sufficient quantity of the fore I always went out alone. Now, it have learned the trade. morrow. With the consent of my mis- deadliest poison know to modern science chanced that one day, while reconnoiter- How about bathing or rubbing with toric association. There were the graves My brother physicians agreed that the

There was no public exposure, howendent. purple plossoms and the green leaves of ever. Mrs. Hurd and I agreed that it an alabaster vase on the ledge of the would profit no one to make the wretched a grin, but somebody else had done that

never be forgotten. I have met in my life Miss Melrose, in spite of my conviction geries too far, and gave serious offenses

When she spoke of her husband it was flowers and decorating the doctor's grave yourself on Russian grounds?

Jokes like bills, require names to back them; and it will be found that, in every the excuse, answered, If Finland be Swenation, some one personage, real or mythical, is selected as the lay-figure upon long-a threat which he was not slow to which all popular jests by common conscut displayed. The English have their brave Joe Miller, the Germans their Schiltburger and their Tyll Eulenspiegel, the Americans their Col. Crockett, the Orientals their Nasireddinel Khejah; and constant attendant of Peter the Great, verdict: who figures largely in all the stories at. Made of poor material and poorly put 096 bushels buckwheat; 785 bushels clowould at once set it down to my profes- of these stories are probably the fabrica- patch it up. worth quoting.

panished with death. The newly-made sudden check of perspiration. officer promised to do his best; but the What do you do for that?

rigid face that told her of a desperate pur- bay, laid his hand on his hilt as if to obey, out of the nerves we call pain. but at the same time exclaimed ferventturned into wood.

It made me stone cold to my finger's jester; I have never been here before. ple have such fancies, far be it from me to through the earth till it reached the pre-

ing close to the enemy's outposts, I sud- spirit? denly espied a Swedish soldier lying on Yes, I believe in that—and I would Not a trace of anything was left! the ground just in front of me. There keep alcohol, for outward application. It It is known to chemistry that all flesh his right foot.

you should rather cut off his head. affair public, and so we kept our own already.

At times Balakireff pushed his wag-

many beautiful women, but never one so that she had been an active party in the to his formidable patron. On one of those conspiracy against Mrs. Spencer's life, I occasions the enraged emperor summari-See was tall and slight, with a purety could not help pitying. Such a miserable by banished him from the court, bidding oval face, liquid brown eyes, and a dash forlorn and haggard face as hers I have him never appear on Russian soil again, Spencer she was confined to her chamber a week had hardly elapsed when Peter, icacy, and questioned her plainly as to I attended her in her liness, but al- graced favorite cooly driving a cart past from acids should be discontinued. her symptoms. Mrs. Hurd, her nurse, re- though she recovered her health she was the very gates hastened down, and asked Cato says, the best way to keep good it had gone into the fruit from year to

I haven't disobeyed you, answered Ba-

in the adventures of Tyll Euleuspiegel) with the addition that Peter, on hearing dish soil now, it shall be Russian before fulfil .- All the Year Round.

Health Talks.

"RECEMBER."

in the same way, the chosen godfathers. I happened to be at the Doctor's one potatoes and 26 bushels of sweet potatoes; of Russian humor are Balakireff the jestor, day, when he came in laughing. You 1038 gallons of wine; 17,854,396 jbs, butand Marshal Suvoroff. The latter name must know he drives all over the country ter; 4,830,700 lbs. cheese; 3,835,840 galhas long since passed into history; but and does all sorts of kind turns for people. lons of milk sold; 1,020,666 tons of hay; the former requires some introduction to A man gave him his watch to take to the 438,155 bushels spring wheat and 16,548 non-Russian readers. Popular traditions jeweler's as he was not himself coming to bushels winter wheat; 73,346 hushels of unite in representing Balakireff as the the village. And he was laughing at the rye; 1,099,882 bushels corn; 3,702,430

tion of a later age; but a fair proportion Just what I say of some of my patients. Ibs. mable sugar and 16,028 gallons mostantiate my statement, the doctor could of them bear marks of authenticity, and, Nothing could be better. Fiesh and blood! lasses; 5225 lbs beeswax; 142,932 lbs. as fair specimens of natural humor, are poor material and poorly put together, honey, patch them up and treat them tenderly! On one occasion Balakireff begged and he laughed again. Three cases of horses, 63,115; mules asses 252; milch permission of his imperial master to at- rheumatism to-day, and one case of gout, cows, 180,285; working exen, 27,809; tach himself to the guard stationed at the so they said. I thought it was tight boots other cattle, 112,741; sheep 580,847; palace; and Peter, for the sake of the as much as any thing. Why will people swine, 46, 345. joke, consented-warning him at the torture themselves and all to deface the In the production of butter, Franklin time that any officer of the guard who forms which God has given? As to the ranks first; Washington second; Chittenhappened to lose his sword, or to be ab- rheumatism, one was a case of inflamed den third; Orleans fourth; and Addison sent from his post wien summoned, was muscles or flesh, from a draught of air or fifth, while Orange, Caledonia, Windham

temptation of some good wine sent to his What do I do? I? Nothing, I tell them first, Rutland second, Addison third, and quarters that evening by the czar, met him to rub it. Keep them warm wear a piece Franklin fourth. Addison produced the and he partook so freely as to become of cotton wadding or red flannel and qui- most hay; Orange the most wheat; completely 'screwed.' While he was etly wait till the inflamation subsides. Windsor the most corn; Washington the sleeping off his debauch, Peter stole soft- You can't cure any such thing in a minute most cats; Caledonia the most maple ly into the room and carried off his sword. or an hour. If they are very anxious to do sugar; Orleans most barley; Rutland Balakireff, missing it on awaking, and something more, I tell them they may iron most potatoes; Windsor most wool. consequence, could devise no better rem- sometimes helps matters and gives some horses; Franklin of asses and mules, and edy than to replace the weapon with his relief. And when a man raises his arm of milch cows; Windsor of oxen, other You are always ordering cordials for own professional sword of lath, the hilt and says, Doctor it hurts me to do so, I cattle, sheep and swine. ilar to those of the guardsmen. Thus But about the real rheumatism-for it He eyed her keenly, but replied com- equipped, he appeared on parade the seems to be so very common now-a-days. next morning, confident in the assurance Ah, if you are wanting a lecture now,

orless and inoderous. Mrs. Hurd was for his untidy appearance, and at length state of the blood, from imperfect assimi- question has been agitated anew, and Miss Melrose! I would stab her to the watching him with her her and apon Balakires with the lation. There are acid particles in the Williams may yet at least have some outcirculation and rasp and scrape the nerves, petuate his name. During a period of one of gentle birth. It is an honor to serve in the grave palor in the doctor's hard The poor jester, thus brought fairly to which thereupon cry out; and the crying hundred and eighty-three years not even

not get excited. I must tell my story, or Drink it dear, he said, it is a panacea And drawing the weapon, he exhibited Fo far so good, but we must do more. by the most careful examination. Suffice rather her's. Two years ago, through for all ills. I also am going to take a in very deed a harmless lath. Even the See that the skin acts freely, so as to car- it to say, bowever, that the spot was the desire of her dying father, Alice glass of it. And he pointed to a glass presence of the emperor was powerless to ry off impurities through its millions of found and the exhumation made a while check the roar of laughter which followed; pores; have plenty of fresh air, so that ago, although there was little to exhume. the lungs may take in that which is pure On scraping the turf from the ground, the him in extricating others from trouble as matter; keep up healthy action by exer- within less than one square rod, revealed If you will bring hera turnbler of water well as himself. A cousin of his, having cise, and eat. Was Agur a man or a wo- the burial ground of Roger Williams. In

something in the dye-stuff, or in the frie- into the graves of Mr. and Mrs. Williams. How should I know? answered the tion-red is not a very soft color. If peo- The larger root had pushed its way

prescribing line, and are to be used under along each leg to the heel, where they Let us hear it, then, answered the offi- advice. Many of them have chloroform both turned upward to the toes. One of in them, and might not be safe to use at these roots formed a slight crook at the never the case that they are both out at complaining of fatigue. In the morning 1 never liked this way of fighting, all discretion. Used freely at night and leave knee, which made the whole bear a close in a crowd together, which they have ing the fumes to be breathed in the sleep, resemblance to the buman form. This other physician before; but to-night they I was called to the post-mortem exami- nowadays; it seems to me more manly they have done mischief. People should singular root is preserved with great are called away by the death of Miss Mel-nation, and we discovered in the stomach for each to stand by himself; and there-not meddle with edge tools unless they

put together. If any one asks you what lime dust usually remains. But in this You fool! cried one of the listeners, causes rheumatism, tell them it is polson case even the phosphate of lime of the in the blood, and tell them to get rid of it, bones of both graves was gone. There So I would, answered Balakireff, with as soon as possible. Good bye, Doctor, stood the "gulity apple tree," as was said -Advance.

one-half of the vinegar in use is made of many other similar cases could be adchemicals so poisonous as to gradually duced. But this fact must be admitted, undermine the health of the consumer, the organic matter of Roger Williams had Sulphuric acld and sugar of lead make a been transmitted into the apple tree; it of the hectic in her cheek, which is never seen; and when they buried Dr. The jester disappeared accordingly; but nice sour, and they are largely used in had passed into the woody fibre and was vinegar making. Cider vinegar is the capable of propelling a steam engine; it standing at his window, espied his dis-

Productions of Vermont Agriculture

The following is from advance sheetfrom the census bureau, giving the statisties of the agriculturi productions of Vermont in 1870, by counties.

Vermont has 3,073,257 acres improved land; 1,586,934 of woodland; 68,613 of other unimproved land. Cash value of farms, \$139,367,075; value of farm implements and machinery, \$5,250,279. Amount of wages paid laborers with value of board \$4,155,585; estimated value of all farm productions, including betterments and additions to the stock, \$34,647,027. Value of orchard products, \$682,241; value of products of market gardens, \$42,225; value of forest products, \$1,238,929; value of home manufactures, \$181'260; value of animals slaughtered, or sold for slaughter, \$4,320,619.

Vermont produced 3,102,137 pounds of wool; 72,671 lbs. tobacco; 95,242 bushels peas and beans; 5,157,428 bushels of Irish bushels outs; 117,333 bushels barley; 415-927 lbs. hops; 12,899 lbs flax; 8,894,309

Value of live stock, \$23,888,835; No. of

Windsor and Rutland rank about the same. In cheese, Chittenden county ranks

## Who Ate Roger Williams,

Mrs. Spencer smiled sadly in assent of remaining undetected, if not forced to you shall have it. The story is not told Williams, in 1771, steps were taken to she never disputed her husband-and he draw his weapon. But Peter, who had in a sentence. Here it is, in language erect some suitable monument, but the storms of the revolution came on, and the two glasses. Both contained liquid col- stantly began storming at one of the men Rheumatism depends upon an impure work was forgotten. But recently the which go roaming about with the ward signs to mark his greatness and pera rough stone has been set up to mark the So you see alkalies are given, which grave of the founder of Rhode Island, till And is she ill? How long since? but at the same time exclaimed fervent but at the same time exclaimed fervent.

Ever since she married him—curse him,

He lifted the glass on the right of the last of the right of the last on the right of the last overtake the acids and neutralize them, forgotten, and could only be ascertained Not necessairly.

Let me enlighten you farther. Doctor

doctor. Mrs. Spencer complains that the fallen under the displeasure of the ezar, was about to be executed; and Balakireff Feed me with food convenient for me.

Colonial times each family had its own burial ground, which was usually near the Spencer was at one time engaged to Miss and my old bones are so full of rheuma-presented himself at court to petition for I lay too much stress upon food, do I? family residence, Three of these seven Lucille Melrose, but he broke the engage- tism that it nearly kills me to go down a reprieve. Peter, seeing him enter, and How can I when the one great question is graves were those of children, the reat once divining his errand, shouted to one of demand and supply? The one busi- maining four were adults. The easterly E. H. Orris, Equinor House, Marchester, Vt. Col. M. S. Collara, Factory Point, Vt. Col. M. S. Collara, Factory Point, Vt. Wiss Herndon was an heiress, and Dr. Activity.

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ing around the skull, it followed the di-

was not a moment to lose; he might start is sometimes (diluted) just the stimulat- and gelatinous matter giving consistancy to the bones, are resolved into carbonic rushed upon him, and at one blow cut off Good bye-poor material and poorly acid gas, water and air, while the solid at the time, "caught in the very act of robbing the grave." To explain the plicnomenon is not the design of this article. A New York chemist has declared that Such an explanation could be given, and had become pleasant to the eye, and more